

Midland Regional GSD Group held on 11th October 2015. Judge Carol Sykes

Thank you to the committee for inviting me to judge the under 12 month puppies. The committee did a great job and was very well organised, it was easy to see how much work and effort had been put into the Event. It was a pleasure to meet my co judge Georg Aichhorn SV (Austria). A Big thank you to both my stewards, Lesley Green and Jimmy Adamson who both did a fantastic job throughout the day. Thank you too to the exhibitors for their entry and lovely feedback of my judging and verbal critiques on social media, and during the day.

Overall temperaments were very good on the day, my main concern was there was some puppies with incorrect dentition in two males, and two females that I have not seen for some time. These puppies were positioned today accordingly. Their mouths may correct themselves in future therefore I will not publicly state the puppy's name for this reason. There was some very promising youngsters exhibited overall, and a absolute pleasure to judge.

Long Coat Special Puppy Bitch (3)

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VP1 Ward's Belezra Dazzle, Belezra Zerres x Belezra Icicle 11.6 months Black and gold, medium size and medium strength. Lovely quality female. She has a good head, very good withers, lovely clean topline, into a slightly steep croup, she has a good front assembly, with a slightly steep upper arm. excellent hindangles. Excellent proportions, excellent proportions, she is a super moving female both on the walk and gaiting maintaining a very good clean line on the move. A lovely baby.

VP2 Small's Lekiro Alexandria, BR Ch Hazroh Ulk x Impranah Chiquita via Lekiro 9 months, sable, she is a medium size and strength, very feminine with lovely dark eyes, excellent wither, and topline, her croup in a little short, very good front, and hindangles, she moves well, at the moment she needs a little more forereach, she has very good drive. Has good outline on move.

VP3 Dickson's Lekiro Azhure , BR Ch Hazroh Ulk x Impranah Chiquita via Lekiro 9 months and little sister to 2. Black and gold. She is a very good type of female, who is medium size and medium strength. Lovely head and expression, eyes could be darker. Good withers, very good overline into a short croup, she has a good front with a steep upper arm, excellent proportions and excellent hindangles, she is a nice mover and needs more forereach, maintains a good line on the move.

Long Coat Special Puppy Dog (2)

VP1 Ebran's, Jambo vom Bierstadter Hof VA (GB) Zeus vom Bierstadter Hof x Olympia vom Steffen Haus 6 months Black and Gold, lovely pigment. And a super young male. He is a medium size and strength with a very good head and expression. Very good front, feet and pasterns, excellent wither, excellent overline into a short but well moulded croup, he has excellent proportions, and excellent hindangles. On the move he displays very good movements both walking and gaiting maintaining his lines at all speeds.

VP2 Henderson's, Kazeti Boss, Apollo Marat Bohemia x Kazeti Luca, 11 months, sable. He is a very good type of puppy, he is a large strong young puppy with excellent strength, masculine head. He has good withers, very good overline into a short but well moulded

croup. Short proportions, he has a good front, little steep in his upper arm, excellent hindangles. On the move he is a very good walker, he has a good steady gait, could hold his wither better, however he is a young male and with training this will improve.

Minor Puppy Bitch (7)

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VP1 Abbs, Absela London, Count Uttinov Van Der Ybajo Hoeve x Inca vd Tempelhoefe. 7 months. Black and tan. Excellent pigment. And lovely quality baby. She is a strong up to size female with very good withers, very good overline, and very good croup, she has very good front assembly, and good hindangles, I would prefer her hocks to be shorter. She showed much exuberance that initially spoiled her as she moved rather erratically, however the longer the class progressed the more she calmed. She was initially in 3rd position, and she was able to settle and show her movement and moved to a well deserved 1st place
VP2 Farley's, Nikonis Gina, Tramella Hanx x Startin Somethin with Nikonis. 6 months. Black and tan. Lovely strong pigment, today she was lacking a bit of coat, after saying this, she had nothing to hide. She has a feminine head and very good expression, lovely dark eyes. She is medium size and medium strength female with good withers, a lovely clean overline, croup a little steep, she has a very good front assembly, very good proportions, and very good hindangles, she is a good mover both walking and gaiting, initially in first position, and lost a bit of concentration when moving, I am sure when she gets a little older she will do well.
VP3 Richardson's, Jamniska Erin Jamniska Aguero x Jamiska Tarja. 6 months, black and paling gold. She is a good medium size and strength, with good withers, good front, and a very good topline into a excellent croup. She has excellent proportions, very good hindangles. She has good stride walking and on her move, her hocks are yet to tighten and she has ample time at only 6 months.

P1 Miller's, Millander Pride. Millander Ghandi x Stockdale Tandy. 8 months. Black and paling gold. She is a upper medium size and strength. Good head and expression, good withers, she has a very good overline and good croup, good front, nice proportions, and good hindangles. Another girl whose hocks need to tighten, however she still is young. She has a nice gait.

P2 Askam and Ranshaw's, Reyakosa Azia, Parhileon Vom Ice Mit Kaana x Merjuko Woldudes Sadie vom Reykosa. 8 months. She is a nice type of female, needs more coat today. She is medium size and strength, very pretty head and lovely expression. Very good withers, and very good overline into a short steep croup, good front, steep upper arm, she has good hindangles. She is a nice mover however tended to flatten her ears and lifted her tail today.

Minor Puppy Dog (6)

VP1 Exley and Fitton's, Starkherz Lambo. Iolanda Dax x Shellmead Halina. 8 months. He is a quality black and tan male with super pigment. Top size. Very good head and expression, he has excellent withers, excellent overline into a good croup. Excellent front assembly, excellent hindangles, very good proportions. He walks and gaits very well maintaining his lines at all speeds, hocks are yet to firm. He is a lovely baby.

VP2 Karrison and Abbs, Absela Loki, Count Uttinov Van Der Ybajo Hoeve x Inca vd Tempelhoefe. 7 months. Black and tan. He is a large strong male with a lovely head and expression, he has a very good wither, excellent overline into a very good croup. He has a very good front assembly, and very good hindangles, his hocks a slightly long. Excellent proportions, he is a very good walker and gaiter. His hocks are yet to firm. Another quality

baby.

VP3 Goodspeed's, Clynalwin's Montague. Etchica Will x Zentrums Yanka at Clynalwin. 7 months. Black and tan. And a beautiful puppy. Black and tan, strong medium size. Very good head and expression, excellent withers, excellent topline and croup very good front assembly, excellent proportions, he moves very well. As with the first two puppies his hocks are yet to tighten.

VP 4 Askham and Ranshaw's. Reyakosa Azon. Parhileon Vom Ice Mit Kaana x Merjuke Woldudes Sadie vom Reykosa. 8 months, black and paling gold. He has a very good wither and topline into a short croup, he has good proportions, and nice front assembly, good hindangles, hocks long. On the move he walks well and good gait. Hocks yet to tighten.

Puppy Bitch (6)

VP1 Green's, Greenvelt Blitzten, Willas von Grafenbrunn x Santa od Petakovica. 9 months. This female impressed as soon as she entered the ring. She is a black and gold female with a very good head and expression, medium size and strength, she has excellent withers, a very good topline into a good croup. Very good front assembly and hindangles. Hocks are yet to firm. Excellent proportions. On the move she displayed far reaching movement both walking and on extended trot maintaining her lines at all speeds with a super attitude and ring presence. A lovely quality puppy that I believe should have a great future.

VP2 Jarram's, Zandamor Barika, Ch Conbhairean Chico x Kassieger Prima. 11 months. Another quality baby who is black and gold, upper medium size female with a lovely strong head and lively expression. She has very good withers, excellent overline into a excellent croup. She has a very good front assembly and very good hindangles. Excellent proportions. She is a very good mover at all speeds, with very good forereach and drive. Hocks yet to firm. Today she was shown a little heavy. However this did not distract from her super type. Lovely baby.

VP3 Deykanblue Blaze Skye, Ch Mascani Icon x Tirgam Deyka. 10 months. Sable. This young female is above medium size and strength, she has a lovely feminine head with good expression, she has good withers, very good overline into a very good croup. She has a very good front assembly and very good hindangles. On the move she moves very well and maintains her lines at all speeds. She is a lovely female.

VP4 Miller's Millander Nairobi, Mondschaten Oyyu with Stockdale x Millander Linnet. Black and tan, she is medium size and strength with a super head and very feminine. She has very good withers, excellent overline into a steep croup, she has a good front assembly, her feet could be tighter. She has very good hindangles. On the move she walks very well, when gaiting she could have move fore reach.

Puppy Dog (3)

VP1 Redpath's Lekiro Aragon, BR Ch Hazroh Ulk x Impranah Chiquita via Lekiro. 9 months and the third of the three litter siblings to be shown under me today. A credit to the breeder. He is black and paling good and a top size youngster, who has a lovely strong head and lively expression, his eyes could be a little darker, excellent withers, he has a very good front assembly, excellent overline into a very good croup, he has excellent hindangles, one thing about this male was that he was probably one of the soundest of puppies shown today. On the move he displays far reaching movement both walking and gaiting maintaining his lines at all speeds with a super attitude. Lovely puppy.

VP2 Eli von Juvenisty, Count Uttinov Van Der Ybajo Hoeve x Angel von Juvenisty. 10 months. This puppy is a large strong male with a very good head and expression, he has very good withers, excellent topline into a slightly steep croup, he has excellent proportions, he has a good front assembly, his upper arm could be better angled. He has excellent hindangles. On the move he is a very good mover both on walk and extended gait, and another lovely puppy.

Baby Puppy Bitch walk (9 entries) and Baby Puppy Dog Walk (6 entries)

Both these classes were not judged, most puppies averaged around 4 months, some a little older and some a little younger. There was a lot of quality babies in both classes and was lovely to see some very promising puppies waiting in the wings to come out in 2016. We had a super little training session and all the puppies were confident and appeared to love their time in the ring and socialising with their new little friends 😊
Good luck to all the owners and the puppies in future.

Junior handling

6-11 years

- 1st Frankie Wilson
- 2nd Ethan Brace
- 3rd Aaron Jaymes Miller
- 4th Luke Pointer

It was lovely to judge all the junior handlers today. You all should be very proud of yourselves. In the 6-11 year class you all showed you could hold the leads correctly when walking with your dogs, and some dogs were better behaved than others, so it also showed your skills at handling them kindly and with respect. I was very pleased to see this. You are all in different stages of your junior handling, some of you are several years younger than others, so you must not let the positions you were placed in put you off. Practice makes perfect, and if today was anything to go by I think you all have lots of potential to be very good handlers in the future.

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12-16 years

- 1st Sheyenne Skye Miller
- 2nd Garry Richardson
- 3rd Erin Cuthbert
- 4th Sam Hutchinson

12-16 year class. Well guys, you were all so very good, I loved your confidence and how you handled the dogs both standing, and when you walked and gaited them, I found you all to be understanding to what your dogs needed and you all presented them well to me, in their individuals most of you treated your dogs well when showing their teeth, with one naughty dog and not so happy handler. In stance you all did very well. One thing that I was also impressed by was you all were able to give your dogs the lead when they needed it, and to be able to put them shorter if you felt they needed more control. This comes with practice and it was quite evident a lot of you are very practiced at it. My last comment to you all was you also showed respect towards the judge, this is very important in any ring and a observation I needed to share and to say you made me very proud of you all. Keep up the good work. You are all doing so well and I am sure to see some of you against the top handlers in future!!